

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A micromechanical switch comprises a substrate,
at least one pair of support members fixed to the
substrate, at least one pair of beam members placed
5 in proximity and parallel to each other above the
substrate, and connected to one of the support members,
respectively, each of the beam members having a moving
portion which is movable with a gap with respect to
the substrate, and a contact portion provided on the
10 moving portion, and a driving electrode placed on the
substrate between the pair of beam members to attract
the moving portions of the beam members in a direction
parallel to the substrate with electrostatic force so
that the contact portions of the beam members which are
15 opposed to each other are short-circuited.